

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

JACOBUS W. VALLEN

Serial No. 09/224,913

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Title: ELECTRIC BALLAST

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Examiner: T. Nguyen

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 29, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Page 6, before line 1, delete "ABSTRACT:" and substitute

--Abstract Of The Disclosure--;

line 6,

should be a continuation of line 5; change

"coil" to --ballast--;

line 7,

change "in co-operation" to --when

positioned in engagement--; after "base,"

insert --cooperates therewith to

substantially completely enclose--;

line 8, /

delete "encloses";

line 9, /

delete "Fig. 4".

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